



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, May 26, 2019. Topsoil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 64 percent adequate, and 36 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 1 percent very short, 3 percent short, 61 percent adequate, and 35 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 53.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Evening Shade to 71.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Rohwer. Highs ranged from 76.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Winslow to 89.8 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. Moderate to heavy precipitation was received throughout the State, with the highest concentration occurring in the northeast part of the State with an average of 1.53 inches.

Crop progress for week ending May 26, 2019

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn, planted	96	89	100	100
Corn, emerged	88	79	99	99
Cotton, planted	81	50	97	94
Cotton, emerged	49	24	80	77
Peanuts, planted	66	35	94	(NA)
Peanuts, emerged	34	16	75	(NA)
Rice, planted	80	67	99	97
Rice, emerged	66	52	94	91
Sorghum, planted	81	54	95	93
Sorghum, emerged	53	43	85	82
Soybeans, planted	42	31	86	73
Soybeans, emerged	30	20	75	62
Winter wheat, headed	100	93	100	100
Winter wheat, coloring	59	28	82	67

(NA) Not available.

Crop condition for week ending May 26, 2019

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	9	14	33	35	9
Hay, alfalfa	0	2	39	57	2
Hay, other	1	12	43	35	9
Livestock	0	2	37	49	12
Pasture	1	4	34	48	13
Rice	1	9	40	40	10
Sorghum	1	7	34	40	18
Winter wheat	1	9	33	49	8

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Dry weather has allowed row crop farmers to get back in some fields. Levees are being pulled in rice and fertilized to start the wells for permanent flood. Soybean and peanut planting will get in full swing with continued dry weather. A tremendous number of acres were harvested for hay with the dry, hot weather over the last 4-5 days.”

- Mike Andrews, Randolph County

“Rice and soybean planting continued as fields dried out towards the end of last week. Most of the earliest planted rice will be fertilized and flooded. Polypipe is being put out on corn with irrigation expected soon with the hotter than normal forecast. The first cuttings of hay were harvested this past week.”

- Dave Freeze, Greene County

“The dry weather has allowed the farmers to begin cutting hay. Cool season hay fields are beginning to be wrapped up.”

- Corey Tyler, Fulton County

“All of our row crop producers are preparing for the worst as the Arkansas River is predicted to have a historic flood. Several acres will go under water possibly destroying the few corn acres that are planted and damaging the little rice that is planted. This will delay more planting of crops for several weeks. Hay harvest began this week. Producers took advantage of a dry week to get in the first harvest. Some herbicide applications for summer weeds has begun.”

- Kevin Lawson, Faulkner County

“Weekend and early week rainfall prevented farmers from tilling or planting of any crops. Water stress is very apparent in all corn fields. Due to the rainfall corn acreage needing to be replanted and prevented planted rice will be converted to soybean plantings. Herbicide and fertilizer applications continued to be delayed also.”

- Brent Griffin, Prairie County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending May 26, 2019

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm ¹	DFN ²	One Week	Rain Days	DFN ²	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN ²
Northwest										
Kingston	76.9	58.9	67.9	66.4	1.5	0.54	1	(NA)	6.36	(NA)
Lead Hill	80.7	57.9	69.3	65.7	3.6	1.15	2	0.09	7.09	2.81
Winslow	76.4	60.3	68.4	(NA)	(NA)	1.63	2	(NA)	8.84	(NA)
Extreme/Average	78.0	59.0	68.5	66.1	2.5	1.11	2	0.09	7.43	2.81
North Central										
Calico Rock	82.6	55.3	68.9	67.5	1.5	1.04	2	0.01	7.24	2.80
Evening Shade	80.7	53.3	67.0	69.2	-1.6	2.30	2	1.84	9.19	5.26
Gilbert	83.4	58.0	70.7	68.4	2.3	0.42	1	-0.65	6.77	2.33
Mammoth Spring	83.9	58.6	71.2	67.2	4.0	2.09	2	1.23	9.03	5.25
Mountain Home	82.9	59.6	71.2	68.1	3.1	1.01	2	0.00	6.76	2.24
Mountain View	83.9	62.6	73.2	68.8	4.4	1.82	2	0.78	8.83	4.20
Extreme/Average	82.9	57.9	70.4	68.2	2.3	1.45	2	0.54	7.97	3.68
Northeast										
Corning	88.7	70.8	79.8	71.1	8.5	1.18	2	0.35	8.95	4.76
Jonesboro	87.2	62.5	74.8	70.6	4.2	1.86	2	0.98	6.15	2.66
Keiser	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	73.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	0.00	-0.33
Newport	85.3	65.1	75.2	71.4	3.8	1.50	1	0.44	9.42	5.03
Pocahontas	84.7	62.0	73.4	69.6	3.8	1.60	2	0.62	7.10	2.71
Searcy	87.8	66.7	77.3	71.8	5.5	1.52	1	0.56	8.05	3.05
Extreme/Average	86.7	65.4	76.1	71.3	5.2	1.53	2	0.59	6.61	2.98
West Central										
Booneville	84.7	59.8	72.3	70.1	2.3	0.52	2	-0.55	6.67	1.82
Dardanelle	85.6	63.1	74.4	71.6	2.8	0.76	1	(NA)	6.26	(NA)
Mena	81.0	60.9	70.9	68.7	2.3	0.50	2	-1.02	7.16	1.61
Subiaco	87.7	61.1	74.4	70.8	3.7	1.33	1	0.26	8.04	3.57
Waldron	83.7	59.7	71.7	69.5	2.2	0.58	2	-0.76	6.61	1.03
Extreme/Average	84.5	60.9	72.7	70.1	2.7	0.74	2	-0.52	6.95	2.01
Central										
Alum Fork	83.0	60.6	71.8	69.7	2.1	1.95	3	0.77	11.20	6.50
Cabot	87.1	63.3	75.2	71.3	3.9	1.35	1	0.22	10.17	5.25
Conway	87.3	63.6	75.4	70.8	4.6	1.56	2	0.57	9.67	5.28
Hot Springs	86.0	64.8	75.4	71.6	4.1	1.19	2	0.18	10.11	5.00
Morrilton	86.4	61.6	74.0	70.2	3.8	1.38	1	0.29	6.82	2.15
Extreme/Average	86.0	62.8	74.4	70.7	3.7	1.49	3	0.41	9.59	4.84
East Central										
Brinkley	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	71.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Des Arc	87.8	69.2	78.5	72.9	5.7	0.85	1	-0.07	6.06	1.78
Keo	86.9	66.7	76.8	73.1	3.7	1.66	1	0.70	7.16	3.11
Stuttgart	87.4	68.4	77.9	72.8	5.4	0.90	1	0.14	5.17	0.64
West Memphis	86.6	68.1	77.4	72.4	4.9	0.55	3	-0.57	5.66	0.57
Extreme/Average	87.2	68.1	77.6	72.6	4.9	0.99	3	0.05	6.01	1.53
Southwest										
Ashdown	87.1	67.3	77.2	(NA)	(NA)	0.53	1	-0.66	17.49	12.48
De Queen	84.6	63.6	74.1	71.2	3.2	0.65	3	-0.31	6.49	1.41
Hope	87.4	66.1	76.8	71.8	5.0	0.95	1	-0.04	11.80	7.15
Murfreesboro	84.9	61.6	73.2	69.4	3.9	0.47	1	-0.79	10.78	5.42
Nashville	87.9	66.1	77.0	72.8	4.2	0.53	1	-0.69	8.14	2.93
Extreme/Average	86.4	64.9	75.7	71.3	4.1	0.63	3	-0.50	10.94	5.88
South Central										
Camden	87.7	65.7	76.7	72.4	4.3	0.00	0	-0.48	7.09	4.53
Fordyce	87.0	65.9	76.4	70.4	6.0	0.04	1	-1.24	8.13	3.00
Magnolia	87.4	66.6	77.0	72.3	4.7	0.13	1	-1.00	9.26	4.69
Prescott	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	71.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	7.73	4.88
Sparkman	88.4	65.7	77.1	70.8	6.3	1.98	1	0.67	7.81	3.10
Extreme/Average	87.6	66.0	76.8	71.4	5.3	0.54	1	-0.51	8.00	4.04
Southeast										
Crossett	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	72.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	3.74	3.27
Eudora	89.8	70.8	80.3	75.5	4.8	0.00	0	-0.91	11.46	7.21
Pine Bluff	88.6	68.9	78.7	73.1	5.6	1.32	2	0.36	8.67	4.31
Portland	87.6	70.0	78.8	73.5	5.5	0.02	2	-0.74	11.64	7.49
Rohwer	87.0	71.6	79.3	73.9	5.4	0.02	1	-1.09	6.75	2.08
Extreme/Average	88.2	70.3	79.3	73.6	5.3	0.34	2	-0.59	8.45	4.87
State	85.5	64.0	74.8	70.7	4.1	0.99	2	-0.04	7.84	3.48

(NA) Not available.

¹ Averaged collected data from 1981-2010.² Departure from normal.